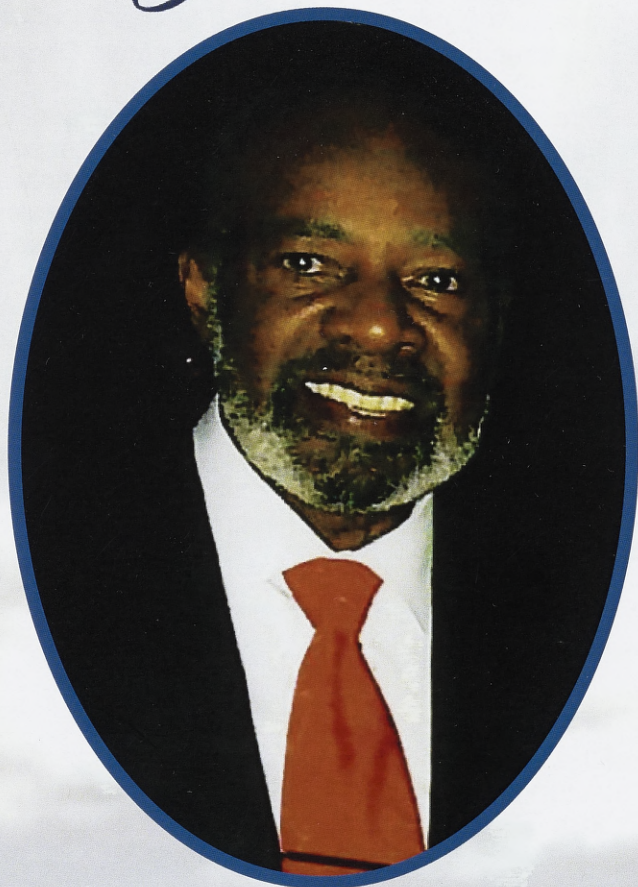


In Loving Memory



Rudolph "Rudy" Johnson

Sunrise: February 10, 1936 – Sunset: August 5, 2021

Services Held

Friday, August 27, 2021 11:00 AM

Wilson & Kratzer Mortuary

455-24th Street, Richmond, California

Bishop K.R. Woods, Officiating

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Rudy's Story

Rudolph (Rudy) Johnson was born February 10, 1936 to Rev. Robert Louis and Ola Lee Johnson in Caddo Parish, Shreveport, Louisiana. Rudy was the second of six children. Rudy accepted Christ at an early age and remained affiliated with St. John Missionary Baptist Church in Richmond, California, under the pastoral leadership of Dr. Kevin B. Hall until his health began to fail. Rudy was ordained as a Deacon on October 19, 1986. He served many years as the Mother's Board Deacon and many more as a senior Deacon. He was also a member of the R.L. Johnson Male Chorus.

Rudy began his education in Shreveport. The family relocated to Oakland, California where Rudy graduated from McClymonds High School in 1954. Rudy received his Associate of Arts degree from Contra Costa College in 1968 and attended San Francisco State University and the Police Academy. He had varied life experiences such as receiving the Diamond Master Dealer award for being a Paper Boy for the Oakland Tribune, an electrician, a builder and received many certificates of achievements.

Rudy joined the Air Force in 1954. The highlight of his tour was being stationed in Germany. He became fluent in German and served as a translator with top secret clearance. While stationed in Germany, he met Janice Patterson.

After being honorably discharged from the Air Force and returning to the United States, Rudy married Janice Patterson in 1961 and to this union two children were born, Darrius Vincent and Kimberly Joy.

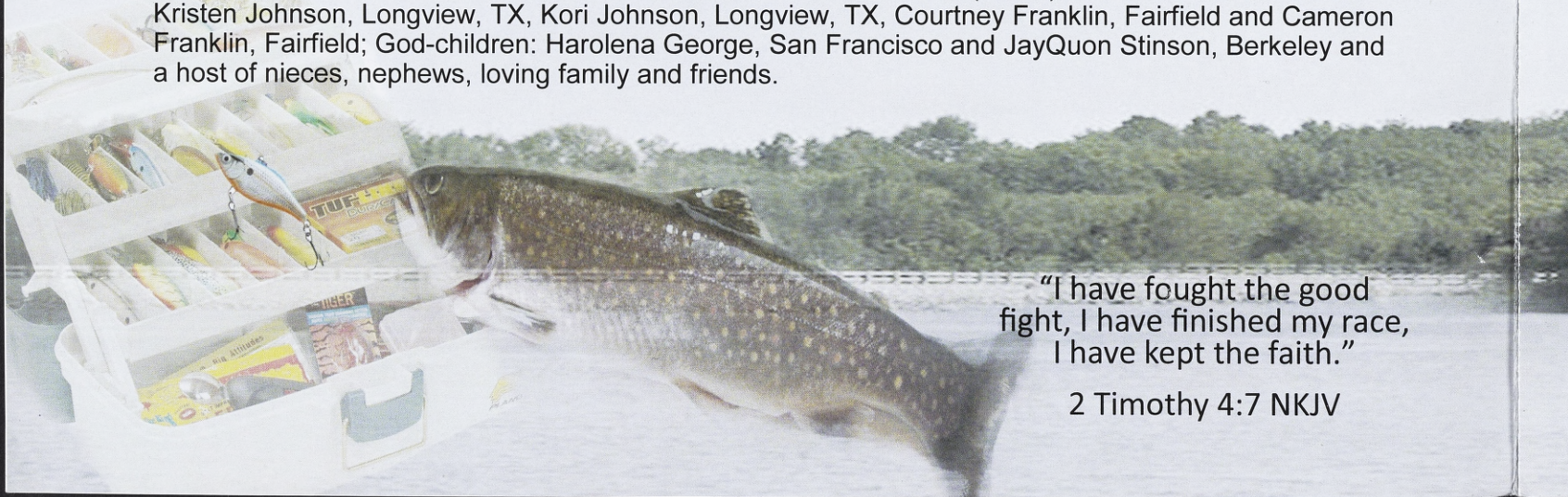
After Janice's passing, Rudy proceeded to raise Darrius and Kimberly as a single parent. In October 1977, Rudy married Comelia Johnson and her two young twin daughters, Sabrina and Christina joined the Johnson family.

In 1963, Rudy became one of the first Black police officers at the Richmond Police Department, where he excelled to the level of Detective and was part of the landmark Richmond Nine lawsuit. Rudy later joined the Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Police Department and was on active duty when the BART system opened. He was awarded medals and citations during his service and subsequently retired in 1986.

After his retirement, Rudy's employment became enjoying his family, traveling, hunting and fishing during which he caught a record-breaking sturgeon, the largest caught that year, at Benicia State Park.

Rudy was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings, Joseph, Marvine and Charles.

Rudy leaves to celebrate his life his wife, Comelia Johnson, Fairfield; Children: Darrius Johnson (Sharon), Antioch, Kimberly Johnson, Pinole, Sabrina Franklin, Fairfield and Christina Franklin, Vallejo; Sister, Gertrude Johnson, Richmond, Brother, Lee Johnson (Laura), Richmond; Grandchildren: Kristen Johnson, Longview, TX, Kori Johnson, Longview, TX, Courtney Franklin, Fairfield and Cameron Franklin, Fairfield; God-children: Harolena George, San Francisco and JayQuon Stinson, Berkeley and a host of nieces, nephews, loving family and friends.



"I have fought the good fight, I have finished my race, I have kept the faith."

2 Timothy 4:7 NKJV

Order of Service

Musical Prelude Sis. Gaye Williams
Processional Family
Scripture and Invocation Min. Alice M. Powell
Musical Selection *How Great Thou Art* Sis. Gaye Williams

Life Video
Produced by Sweetlooks4U

Acknowledgements and Resolutions Sis. Judy Matthews

Well Done
Musical Video by Deitrick Haddon

Words of Remembrance - 2 Minutes Please

Deacon Board
Family – Dec. Billy Lewis
Sis. Doreatha Johnson
Sis. Courtney Franklin

Obituary Sis. Sharon Johnson

Musical Selection *When I see Jesus Amen* Sis. Tracy Lewis

Eulogy Bishop K. R. Woods
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Rolling Hills Memorial Park

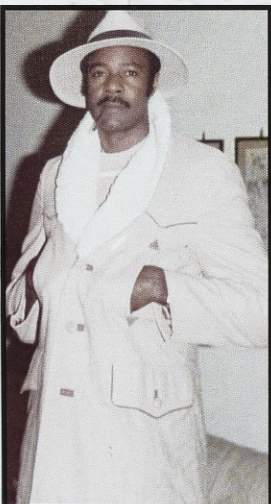
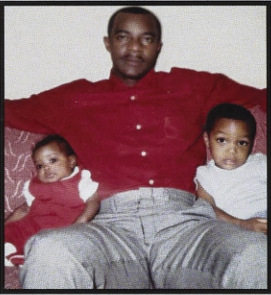
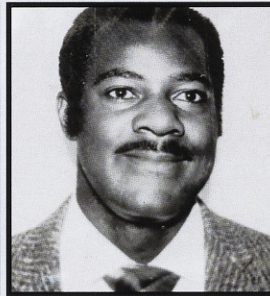
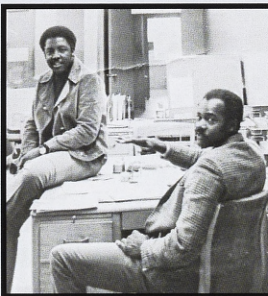
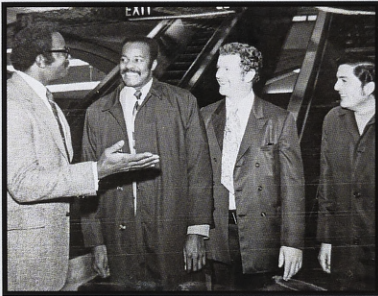
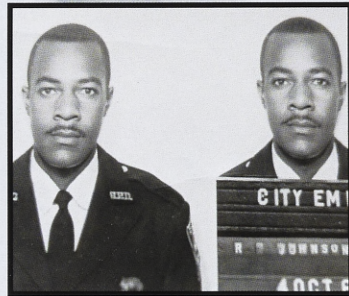
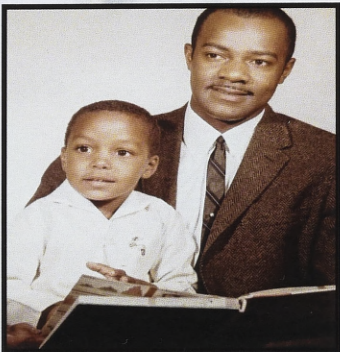
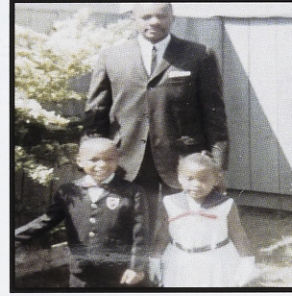
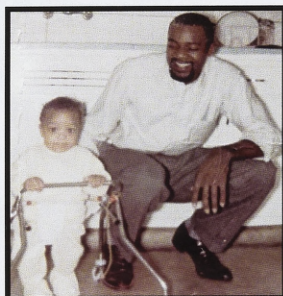
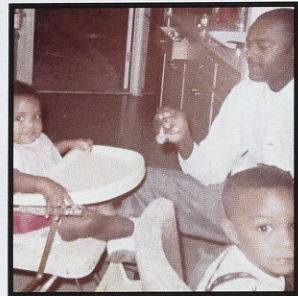
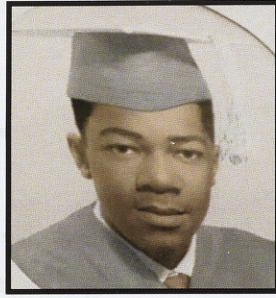
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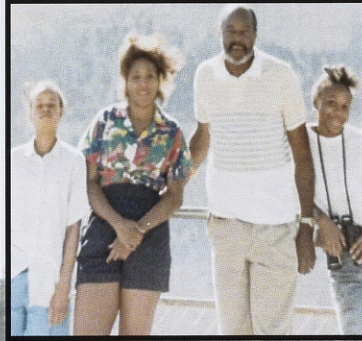
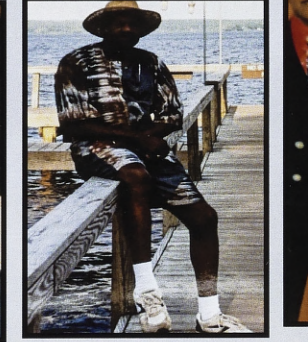
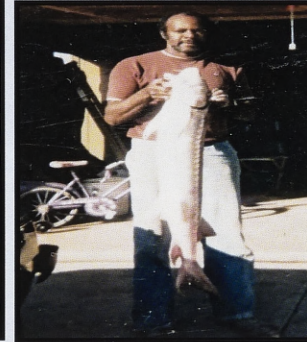
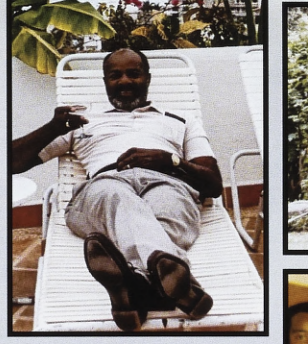
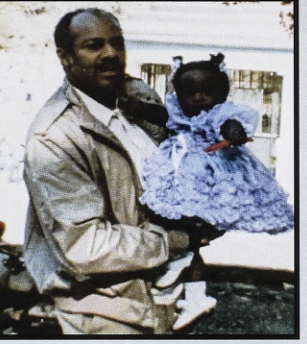
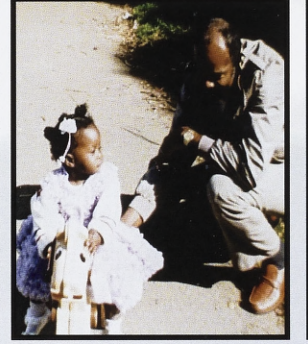
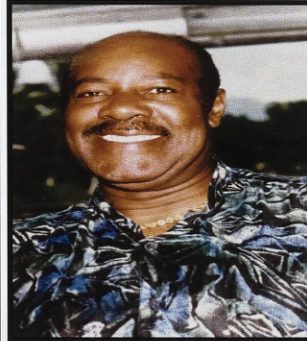
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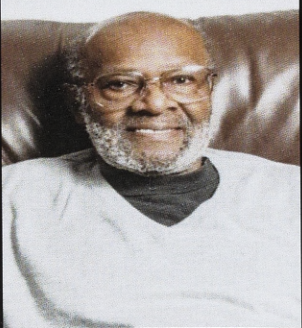
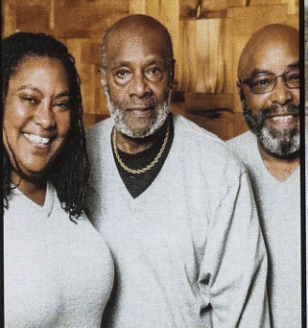
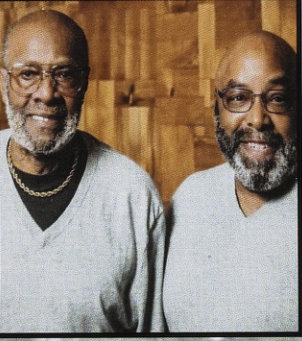
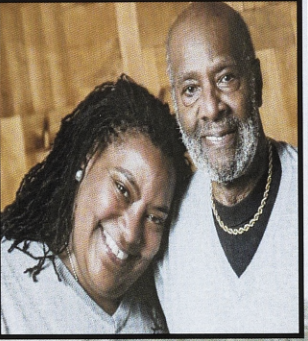
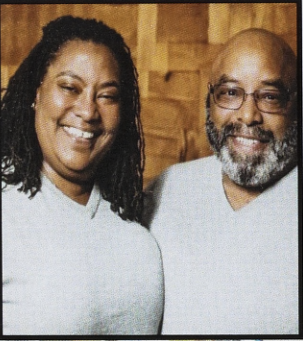
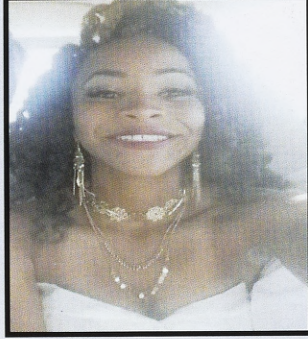
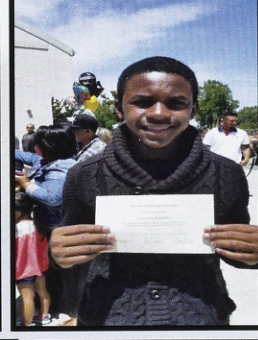
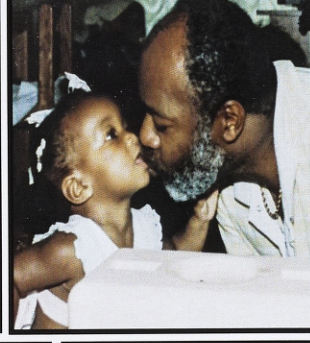
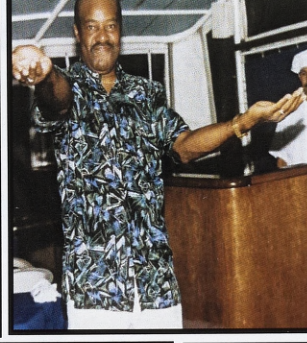
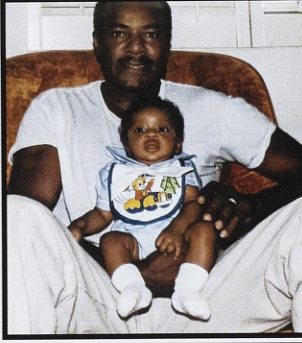
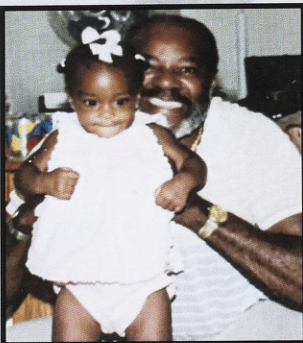
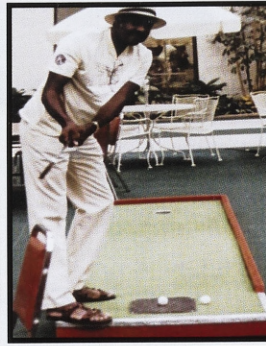
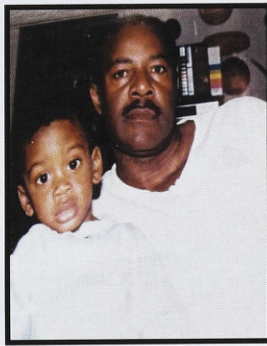
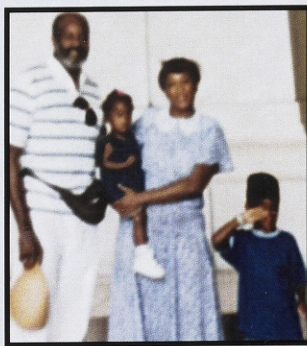
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No Tears In Heaven

There are no tears in Heaven
nor grief of any kind,
I leave this final teardrop to those I've left behind.
Though absent from the body,
I'm present with the Lord;
The joy of my salvation is now my full reward.
And just as God has promised,
He's wiped my tears away,
And nothing can compare to the wonder of that day.
So keep me in your memory and know that up above
There are no tears in Heaven,
Instead there's only love



Pall Bearers

Brother Curtis Axel
Deacon Michael Hilliard
Deacon Ed Kimble

Deacon Mitchell Newman
Deacon Earvie Rollins
Deacon Timothy Shakesnider

Honorary Pall Bearers

Cameron Franklin
Amos Johnson, Jr.
Artis Johnson, Jr.
Darrius Johnson

Kristen Johnson
Deacon Lee Johnson
Deacon Billy Lewis
Percy Taylor



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Our family extends its sincere thanks and appreciation for the sustaining love from the many friends and family for your expressions of love and kindness.

May God continue to bless each and everyone of you.

The Family of Rudolph Johnson

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